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September 4, 2007 Project-based Voucher Program Administrative Plan Updates

Section 31.6.6

 Creates a new section to note that in instances where both DHCD and an LHA have PBVs in the same project, if requested by the LHA, DHCD may consider contracting out the administration of the PBV units to the LHA in order to streamline the administration of these units by one entity. In this case, both the LHA and DHCD's RAA will sign a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA), prepared by DHCD, which outlines each party's role, addresses split of administrative fee, reporting requirements and other related activities.

Section 31.6.9.1

- Clarifies that when certain units are set-aside for applicants who meet specific preference criteria, that in order to receive the selection preference, these applicants must submit information to the RAA to note a "pre-qualification" status on the waiting list.
- Discusses how this information is communicated to the applicants when an application for the project is received.

Section 31.6.17.4.1

 Describes how tenant selection will occur for units funded with Community Based Housing (CBH) funds under the preference established for persons residing in institutions or at risk of institutionalization.

Section 31.6.17.5.1

• Describes how tenant selection will occur for units funded with Facilities Consolidation Funds (FCF) under the preference established for disabled households needing services.

31.7.1.2

• The rent for tax credit units located outside of a qualified census tract is no longer limited to the tax credit rent.

31.7.1.3

• It is permissible to use rents in tax credit units, located outside of a qualified census tract, for rent reasonableness comparisons, even if these rents exceed the payment standard (or exception rent), provided no other rental assistance supports these units.

Section 31.7.5

• Permits use of a building-specific or local housing authority utility allowance with DHCD permission.